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ADJOURNED REGULAR SEPTEMBER, A.D., 2007 SESSION

MARCH 11, A.D., 2008

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD:

Your Chairman presents herewith a Resolution proclaiming the month of April 2008 as Alcohol Awareness Month; and requests its adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Suzi Schmidt", written over a horizontal line.

Suzi Schmidt, Chairman
Lake County Board

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, each April since 1987, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence (NCADD) has designated April as "Alcohol Awareness Month"; and

WHEREAS, alcohol use by young people is extremely dangerous, not only to themselves - but to society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, young people who begin drinking before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcohol dependence than those who begin drinking at age 21; and

WHEREAS, alcohol abuse is linked to as many as two-thirds of all sexual assaults and date rapes of teens and college students and is a major factor in unprotected sex among youth, increasing their risk of contracting HIV or other transmitted diseases; and

WHEREAS, alcohol is a factor in the leading cause of death among persons ages 10-24: motor vehicle crashes, unintentional injuries, homicide and suicide; and

WHEREAS, alcohol Awareness Month was established as a nationwide effort to provide the American public with information about the disease of alcoholism and the serious problem of alcohol abuse;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this Lake County Board of Lake County, Illinois that we do hereby proclaim the month of April as Alcohol Awareness Month and encourage all citizens to participate in alcohol abuse prevention efforts and activities, making a visible statement and commitment to healthy, drug-free communities in which to raise a generation of alcohol and drug-free youth; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lake County Board encourages all community members to pledge to take a stand to prevent underage drinking and alcohol and drug abuse.

DATED, AT WAUKEGAN, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, on this 11th day of March, A.D., 2008.